

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LONG-RANGE PLANNING

Call to Order: By Chairman Dave Kasten, on January 12, 2007 at 8:01 A.M., in Room 350 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dave Kasten, Chairman (R)
Sen. Mike Cooney, Vice Chairman (D)
Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Rep. John Sinrud (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Donci Bardash, Committee Secretary
Mark Bruno, OBPP
Catherine Duncan, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 6, 1/3/2007; HB 11, 1/3/2007;
HB 8, 1/3/2007
Executive Action: None.

00:00:03 Rep. Kasten

CONTINUED PRESENTATIONS ON HB 11

00:00:15 Rep. Dave Kasten

00:00:32 Jim Edgcomb, Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP)

[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a01\)](#)

00:05:27 Ms. Duncan

00:05:55 Mr. Edgcomb

00:07:06 Ms. Duncan

00:07:26 Mr. Edgcomb

PRESENTATION ON YELLOWSTONE COUNTY:

00:08:19 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:52 Bill Kennedy, Yellowstone County Commission

00:09:44 Bob Moats, Yellowstone County

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:12:04 Rep. Kasten

00:13:02 Mr. Kennedy

PRESENTATION ON CUSTER COUNTY:

00:15:05 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

00:15:41 Gary Matthews, Custer County Commission

[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a02\)](#)

00:20:11 Brian Milne, Interstate Engineering

[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a03\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:23:13 Rep. Kasten

00:23:28 Mr. Matthews

00:24:22 Sen. Barkus

00:25:22 Mr. Edgcomb

00:26:49 Rep. Kasten

PRESENTATION ON JUDITH BASIN COUNTY:

00:27:04 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

00:27:38 Tucker Hughes, Judith Basin County Commission

00:29:00 Lee Ebbling, Ebbling Engineering

[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a04\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

PRESENTATION ON CIRCLE:

00:32:35 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

00:33:15 Ned Sikveland, Mayor of Circle

00:35:33 Brian Milne, Interstate Engineering

[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a05\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:38:57 Sen. Barkus

00:39:20 Mr. Milne

PRESENTATION ON HARLEM:

00:39:52 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

00:40:20 Jason Gibson, City of Harlem Mayor

00:45:02 Craig Nowak, Morrison-Marerle

00:46:08 Vic Miller, Blaine County Commission

00:47:56 Annemarie Robinson, Bear Paw Development

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:48:34 Rep. Kasten

00:48:55 Ms. Robinson

PRESENTATION ON CARTER DISTRICT:

00:50:18 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

00:51:28 Gary Rominger, Carter County Water-Sewer District

00:53:55 Ms. Robinson

00:55:41 Sen. Jerry Black, SD 14, Shelby

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

PRESENTATION ON BIGFORK:

00:56:14 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

00:56:47 Julie Spencer, Big Fork Water and Sewer

01:02:17 Scott Murphy, Morrison-Marerle

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:03:39 Sen. Barkus

PRESENTATION ON FORT BENTON:

01:04:31 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

01:05:06 Rick Morris, Mayor of Fort Benton

01:08:32 Ms. Robinson

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

PRESENTATION ON LAUREL:

01:09:48 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

01:10:25 Ken Olson, City of Laurel Mayor

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

PRESENTATION ON CROW TRIBE (CROW AGENCY):

01:14:59 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

01:15:39 Urban Bear Don't Walk, Crow Tribe

01:16:27 Larry Kindness, Water-wastewater Authority/Crow Tribe

01:17:16 Mr. Bear Don't Walk

EXHIBIT(jlh08a06)

01:17:37 John Doyle, Water-wastewater Authority/County
Commission

01:19:19 Mr. Bear Don't Walk

01:19:23 Carl Anderson, Engineering

01:21:29 Mr. Bear Don't Walk

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:21:54 Rep. Kasten

01:22:07 Mr. Anderson

01:22:57 Ms. Duncan

PRESENTATION ON BIG SANDY:

01:24:08 Mr. Edgcomb

01:26:02 Ms. Duncan

01:26:47 Mr. Edgcomb

01:28:10 Sen. Barkus

01:28:16 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony:

01:29:02 Ms. Robinson

EXHIBIT(jlh08a07)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

General Discussion:

01:32:13 Rep. Kasten
01:33:01 Ms. Robinson
01:34:00 Mr. Edgcomb

01:34:20 Break
01:56:14 Reconvene

JOINT HEARING ON HB 6 AND HB 8

01:56:37 Rep. Dave Kasten (R), HD 30, opened the hearing on
HB 6, Renewable resource grants.
01:56:37 Rep. Dave Kasten (R), HD 30, opened the hearing on
HB 6, Renewable resource grants.
01:57:00 Mr. Edgcomb
01:57:32 Ray Beck, Department of Natural Resources and
Conservation (DNRC)
01:58:06 Rep. Kasten
01:58:20 Sen. Brueggeman
01:58:34 Mr. Beck
02:00:04 Rep. Kasten
02:00:20 Mr. Beck
02:00:50 Pam Smith, DNRC
02:03:20 Sen. Brueggeman
02:03:27 Ms. Smith
02:04:01 Bob Fischer, DNRC

PRESENTATION ON FAIRFIELD:

02:08:16 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony: None.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

PRESENTATION ON BUTTE-SILVER BOW COUNTY:

02:10:06 Mr. Edgcomb

Proponents' Testimony: None.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:11:46 Rep. Hollenbaugh
02:12:10 Mr. Edgcomb
02:12:16 Rep. Kasten
02:12:32 Mr. Edgcomb

PRESENTATION ON LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY:

02:13:18 Mr. Edgcomb
02:15:04 Ms. Smith

Proponents' Testimony:

02:15:54 Ed Tinsley, Lewis and Clark County Commission
[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a08\)](#)
02:17:10 Laura Erikson, Lewis and Clark County

Opponents' Testimony: None.

02:19:00 Rep. Kasten

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

PRESENTATION ON BAINVILLE:

02:19:23 Mr. Edgcomb
02:20:04 Mr. Fischer

Proponents' Testimony:

02:20:45 Mr. Edgcomb
[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a09\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:23:30 Rep. Kasten
02:23:40 Mr. Edgcomb
02:24:00 Rep. Kasten

Discussion:

02:24:28 Rep. Kasten
02:24:30 Rep. Hollenbaugh
02:24:50 Sen. Cooney
02:25:13 Rep. Kasten
02:25:35 Ms. Duncan

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02:27:57 Rep. Kasten

ADJOURNMENT

02:28:28 Adjournment: 10:30 A.M.

REP. DAVE KASTEN, Chairman

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Additional Exhibits:

[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a10\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jlh08a11\)](#)

Additional Exhibits:

[EXHIBIT\(jlh08aad.pdf\)](#)